TSRP PROGRAM

Through a three-year grant from the Office of Traffic Safety, the Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor (TSRP) Program is designed to enhance the ability of California's prosecutors to effectively evaluate and prosecute DUI and DUI-related vehicular homicide cases, thereby reducing the incidence of driving under the influence and highway fatalities.

The TSRP Program provides for intense and specialized DUI prosecution training statewide, with a directed focus on jurisdictions where the ratio of DUI arrests to DUI convictions has been less than the 77 percent statewide average conviction rate. It further provides for DUI expert witness specialized training and for the vertical prosecution of DUI offenders who either have no driver's license or were driving on a suspended or revoked license. The Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor Program has established five regional Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor "resource centers" combined with a DUI prosecutor mentoring program in each of the defined regions. The five regionals are: Northern, Central, Coastal, Greater LA/Ventura, and Southern/Inland Empire.

The TSRP Program staff includes the TSRP Program Director, five regional TSRP's and one TSRP PIO/Training Outreach Coordinator.

TSRP CONTACT INFORMATION



Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

TRAINING, EDUCATION & RESOURCES

"I wish I could have done this program six months ago!
It was extremely helpful and I appreciate the quality of the speakers and information. Each presentation captured my entire attention and I learned something new in each session."

~ a seminar attendee

DAA's TSRP Program is designed to enhance the ability of California's prosecutors to effectively evaluate and prosecute DUI and DUIrelated vehicular homicide cases, thereby reducing the incidence of driving under the influence and highway fatalities.

The statewide TSRP Program will provide:

- Intense and specialized DUI prosecution training;
- Trial advocacy and DUI expert testimony seminars;
- Five regional TSRP Program resource centers combined with a DUI prosecutor mentoring program;
- A central DUI resource materials center;
- Quarterly newsletters related to DUI enforcement & prosecution; and
- A TSRP Web site with resources for DUI prosecutors.

Specific training topics will include:

- PAS Device
- EPAS Device
- SFST Protocol
- EDR Data
- HGN
- DRFs
- DUI Jury Instructions (CALCRIM)
- Effective Opening & Closing Statements in DUI Prosecutions
- Direct Examination & Cross-Examination of DUI Experts
- DUI Drug Prosecutions & Related Toxicology
- Emerging Legal Issues
- CHP Traffic Accident Reconstruction Specialist Program

The TSRP trainings are MCLE accredited and tuition-free.

More information about the TSRP Program and currently scheduled trainings can be found at www.cdaa.org/tsrp.

If your agency would like to request a training on a specific topic, please contact your regional TSRP.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How is the program funded?

Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS), through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. The Sacramento County District Attorney's Office was awarded the grant and has contracted the California District Attorneys Association (CDAA) to provide program services.

How long will it be funded?

This is a three-year program that began on October 1, 2006 and will end on September 30, 2009.

How will you measure the success of the Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor (TSRP) Program?

OTS will compare DUI arrest-to-conviction data from the California Department of Motor Vehicle's 2005 Annual Report of the California DUI Management System data, or comparable DUI statistical reporting system's data, to data from the grant period.

How do we contact a TSRP? What counties are in each TSRP's region?

CDAA has produced a map displaying each TSRP's contact information and the counties that they serve. For an electronic copy, please contact the TSRP PIO/Training Outreach Coordinator at (916) 443-2017.

Is there a TSRP Program Web site?

Yes. The address is www.cdaa.org/tsrp. However, the TSRP Program Web site is password-protected and only accessible by prosecutors.

Why is the Web site accessible to prosecutors only?

The information and resources on the Web site are provided specifically for California's prosecutors to use to effectively prosecute DUI and DUI-related vehicular homicide cases.

I am a prosecutor and I don't have a password. How can I obtain one to access the Web site? Please visit www.cdaa.org/tsrp and fill out the online form to request a password.

What topics will you cover in the training?

The training topics will cover many areas including but not limited to SFST Protocol, DREs and DUI Jury Instructions in DUI Prosecutions as well as trial advocacy and DUI expert testimony seminars. Please contact your regional TSRP or the TSRP PIO/Training Outreach Coordinator for a complete list of training topics.

When will the training happen in my area?

If it hasn't happened already, your regional TSRP will make contact with the appropriate official at your office and arrange for training.

I am a prosecutor and I have a specific question and/or need immediate assistance regarding a DUI case or issue. How can I get an answer or more information?

Call your regional TSRP! They're available to assist you. Please refer to the TSRP Program map to locate your regional TSRP.

The answer to my question is not here. How can I obtain more information?

If your question has not been answered in these FAQ's, please contact the TSRP PIO/Training Outreach Coordinator at 916.443.2017, and we will do our best to answer your question(s) in a timely manner.

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The mission of the California District Attorneys Association, more than 2,500 members strong, is to promote justice by enhancing prosecutorial excellence.

CDAA has been in existence since 1910. Originally composed of county counsels and district attorneys, as the group's interests became increasingly diverse, members decided to form an organization for

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prosecutors. In 1974, CDAA incorporated to serve the needs of California's prosecutors.

COMMITTEES

The California District Attorneys Association sponsors more than 30 specialized committees comprised of prosecutor members. CDAA committees serve the Association by defining current criminal justice issues, developing training priorities,

and drafting and analyzing legislation. The Board of Directors and CDAA staff rely upon committee members to advance the quality of prosecution in California.

MCLE Training Seminars & Conferences

CDAA provides year-round MCLE-accredited continuing legal education seminars for California's prosecutors. The Legal Training Program, financed in part by state grant funds, offers general and specialized training to all prosecutors and law enforcement personnel.

PUBLICATIONS

CDAA has been providing legal publications to prosecutors, law enforcement, and allied administration of justice professionals for more than 25 years. Today, with the assistance of grant funds and invaluable volunteers, CDAA produces more than 90 high quality publications annually, inclusive of topical periodicals, specialized newsletters, manuals, monographs, and handbooks.

LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY

CDAA participates in the state and federal legislative process. With the assistance of CDAA's specialized committees, the Association reviews bills, provides technical assistance to the Legislature's policy committees, and lobbies the Legislature on measures that impact the criminal justice system. CDAA advocacy extends to the initiative process only when appropriate and necessary.

SPECIALIZED PROJECTS

CDAA has several area-specific projects to assist prosecutors. These include the Environmental Circuit Prosecutor Project, High Tech Crimes Project, Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor Program, and the Violence Against Women Project.

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